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COUNTRY Soviet Zone of Germany

REPORT NO.

TOPIC 1. Airfield of WITTENBERG

2. Air Force headquarters in WITTENBERG

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1. The WITTENBERG (N 52/E 37) airfield was not occupied by aircraft. There were no antiaircraft gun emplacements at the Elbe River bridge.

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2. The barracks south of the WITTENBERG bridgehead were occupied by a Soviet Air Force unit. These barracks, which comprised a four-story stone building, a round two-story stone building and a small two-story stone building, were surrounded by a 7-foot board fence. There were several small administrative buildings and a garage in the barracks yard. About 150 to 180 air force soldiers were lined up in the yard.

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3. Three biplanes were parked at the airfield. A radio truck with extended antenna was standing south of the airfield.

7 and 8 August 1949

4. The "Bruckenkopf" Kaserne was occupied by about 400 MM of a Soviet Air Force unit. A large number of tank trucks was assigned to this unit. The airfield was unoccupied on both days.

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5. Soviet Air Force officers were mostly seen in the Soviet billeting quarter on Chaelmann Strasse. The

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[REDACTED] Comment:

a. Report confirms that the WITENBERG airfield is still being used only by PO-2 courier planes. These aircraft are probably assigned to the headquarters of the I Gls Air Corps which is assumed to be stationed in WITENBERG. [REDACTED]

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b. According to previous information, the "Brueckenkopf" Kaserne is occupied by a ground unit and possibly also by the headquarters of the 1st Air Tech Div.

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